and the remedial action including taking up the staff responsible for causing the complaints is taken. During 1994-95 and 1995-96, 2,407 and 2,252 members of railway staff respectively were taken up. In the specific instance referred to in the newspaper item, the enquiry was promptly conducted by Northern Railway and prima facie, no railway staff was found responsible. Regular steps are also taken to improve/streamline the passenger facilitation at the stations on a programmed basis by earmarking separate funds for passengers amenities.

Setting up of Local Radio Station and Low Power Transmitters

1383. SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI :
SHRI KUNWAR SARVARAJ SINGH :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government had set up the Local Radio Stations and Low Power Transmitters on the recommendations of the Members of Parliament;

(b) if so, the date on which these were installed and expenditure incurred thereon;

(c) whether the above Local Radio Stations and the LPTs are functioning;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY) : (a) to (e) Requests for establishment of TV/Radio Transmitters etc., are received from time to time from various quarters including MPs/VIPs. Such requests are kept in view while identifying the locations of new Transmitters. Criteria for deciding locations of new Transmitters include factors such as extent of resultant coverage, terrain conditions of the areas, linguistic and cultural needs of the area, technical feasibility, availability of financial/infrastructural resources etc.

At present, 638 Low Power TV Transmitters and 73 Local Radio Stations are under operation. Apart from this, 18 Local Radio Stations are under various stages of implementation. Some of these Transmitters/Local Radio Stations are relaying only part transmission or not relaying transmission regularly due to non-sanctioning of adequate staff for these stations. Action has already been initiated for early sanction of staff.

Homoeopathic and Ayurvedic Dispensaries/Hospitals

1384. SHRI RAMCHANDRA VEERAPPA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Homoeopathic, Ayurvedic and Allopathic dispensaries/hospitals functioning under the Railways, separately; zone-wise;

(b) whether the number of Homoeopathic and Ayurvedic dispensaries are petty low in comparison with the Allopathic dispensaries;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the posts of Homoeopathic/Ayurvedic doctors are lying vacant particularly in Delhi;

(e) if so, the details thereof dispensary-wise and zone-wise; and

(f) the time by which these vacant posts are likely to be filled up alongwith the rules to be followed therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a)

Statement

Railway/Production Unit	Homoeopathic Dispensaries	Ayurvedic Dispensaries	Allopathic Hospitals	Allopathic Health Units
1	2	3	4	5
Central Railway	15	2	16	80
Eastern Railway	17	10	14 (including CLW)	54
Northern Railway	14	10	22 (including RCF, RDSO, DCW)	101
North Eastern Railway	24	5	10 (including DLW)	51
Northeast Frontier Railway	8	2	10	50
Southern Railway	8	3	15 (Including ICF, Wheel and Axle Plant)	63